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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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CONGRATULATING THE 2018 NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL AND  
HONOREES, THE 2018 HAWAII OUTSTANDING VICE PRINCIPAL, AND  
THE 2019 STATE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR.

1 WHEREAS, LINELL DILWITH has been a principal with the  
2 Hawaii State Department of Education for ten years, six of which  
3 were spent at Stevenson Middle School; has also served as the  
4 principal at Lanakila Elementary; and has been a member of the  
5 Leadership Institute Design and Advisory committee, a School  
6 Turnaround Specialist, and the interim complex area  
7 superintendent for the Kaimuki-McKinley-Roosevelt Complex Area;  
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10 WHEREAS, CORRINE YOGI has been teaching at Kipapa  
11 Elementary School for twenty-four years and throughout this  
12 time, she has reshaped the school by developing the Science,  
13 Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics studies program to help  
14 students enter into rewarding careers in these fields; she also  
15 encourages her students to implement new and effective studying  
16 techniques when doing classwork and has greatly improved student  
17 achievement in her classes; and  
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19 WHEREAS, DEB HATADA believes in providing high quality  
20 professional development and technical assistance for teachers,  
21 helping them implement research-backed teaching practices; she  
22 also implemented the Visible Learning Program to allow students  
23 to solve real life problems, learn to innovate, and use creative  
24 designing through experiential learning; and  
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26 WHEREAS, DEREK MINAKAMI excelled as a physics teacher at  
27 Kailua High School where he was named "Hawaii State Teacher of  
28 the Year" in 2001, and was the State's first public school  
29 teacher to be nationally certified; he currently serves as the  
30 principal at Kanē'ōhe Elementary School and coordinates the  
31 Windward Oahu District Science Fair; and



1 WHEREAS, NOREEN KUNITOMO, principal at Honaunau Elementary  
2 School, has helped set up the annual "Walk to School Day" event  
3 in Hawaii, encouraging the community to focus on safety  
4 improvements to slow traffic where youth walk; in addition, she  
5 also helped to imbed a bullying prevention application on  
6 smartphones for students to report bullying, which allows  
7 students, schools, and parents to prevent future bullying; and  
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9 WHEREAS, ROBYN HONDA, principal at Makawao Elementary  
10 School, assisted in adding a new standard for students called  
11 "Success for All" to help students and teachers prepare for the  
12 Common Core State Standards with newly updated materials, onsite  
13 support, and ongoing professional development; she also partakes  
14 in educational campaigns such as "National Bullying Prevention  
15 Month," empowering students to stand up to bullying through  
16 campaigns and other efforts to stop the culture of bullying; and  
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18 WHEREAS, SHERRY GONSALVES has worked as an elementary  
19 school administrator for twelve years in the State of Hawaii,  
20 and continues to inspire both children and adults to build upon  
21 their strengths to reach their fullest potential; she currently  
22 works as the principal at Kilauea Elementary School, where she  
23 created a new after-school program called "Adopt an After-School  
24 Club," a mentoring program offering a variety of free activities  
25 for students; and  
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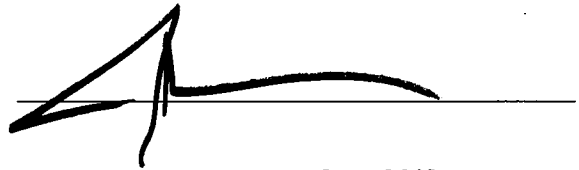
27 WHEREAS, CECILE LAMAR, vice principal at Makaha Elementary  
28 School, was honored by the National Association of Elementary  
29 School Principals as the 2018 Hawaii Outstanding Vice Principal,  
30 as she encourages teachers to think outside-the-box and  
31 recognizes that many paths can be taken toward success; she is  
32 also a fervent believer that: "We must be willing to think  
33 creatively and find new solutions. In that we find our synergy  
34 and momentum and really make a difference for our students"; and  
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36 WHEREAS, MERYL MATSUMURA, assistant principal at Waipahu  
37 High School, has been nationally recognized by the National  
38 Association of Secondary School Principals as the 2019 State  
39 Assistant Principal of the year for her collaborative leadership  
40 and exemplary academic success of her students; now, therefore,



1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
2 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of  
3 2019, that this body hereby commends, congratulates, and honors  
4 LINELL DILWITH, CORRINE YOGI, DEB HATADA, DEREK MINAKAMI, NOREEN  
5 KUNITOMO, ROBYN HONDA, SHERRY GONSALVES, CECILE LAMAR, and MERYL  
6 MATSUMURA for their outstanding accomplishments and well-  
7 deserved recognition, and extends to them its sincere mahalo and  
8 best wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors.  
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OFFERED BY:

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